

## Elba Elementary school registration for kindergarten set

Kindergarten registration for Elba City Schools will be Friday, April 22, from 8:30-3:30 in the Elba Elementary conference room. Parents are urged to register their child on this date.

Students must be five (5) years of age on or before September 1, 1994 to be enrolled in the state sponsored kindergarten.

Parents must bring their child's certified birth certificate, social security card, blue immunization certificate, and pink MMR certificate with them for registration.

Education services are available to all students. Children, ages 3-5, are provided certain handicap services.

Registration will be on-going at Elba Elementary School from 8:30-3:30 for all eligible students. Registration is very important so that the school can get an accurate count of students and plan for the 1994-95 school year. The child does not have to come for registration. Before school starts in August, a special registration will be held for parents and students.

**School MMR**  
Immunization required prior to entering 6th grade

All 5th graders must have proof of second dose of MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) vaccine prior to entering 6th grade in the fall of 1994.

In order to prevent long periods of waiting, nurses from the Health Department will be coming to all county and city schools in Coffee County within the month of May to administer this vaccine.

Parents may choose to have their children immunized by their private physician. Proof of vaccination will be required prior to entering school.

Tentative dates for Public Health Nurses to administer vaccine MMR in the schools are: May 2, 1994-Enterprise schools; May 9, 1994-Elba and Kinston schools; May 16, 1994-New Brockton and Zion Chapel schools.



Mr. and Mrs. Ray W. Hiltbrand

## Miss Carter and Mr. Hiltbrand united in marriage March 26th

Holli Denise Carter of Thomasville, AL and Ray Weston Hiltbrand of Madisonville, TN, were married March 26, at Galinburg Wedding Chapel in Galinburg, TN, with the

## Coffee County School System Kindergarten registration scheduled

Registration for all children entering Kindergarten in August 1994 in the Coffee County School System will be held Friday, April 22, 1994. Children may be registered between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. at Kinston, New Brockton, and Zion Chapel Elementary Schools.

To enter Kindergarten in August 1994, a child must be five (5) years old on or before September 2, 1994. A birth certificate and social security card will be required for registration. Alabama Law requires that all children entering school present a certificate of immunization from a doctor or County Health Department. In addition to the certificate of immunization, students entering Kindergarten must also present a certificate of measles immunity (Form IMM-90) to the school. The IMM-90 form is evidence of a second dose of measles vaccine.

Student entering first grade who are not enrolled in the Kindergarten program will also register on this date. Students entering the first grade must be six (6) years old on or before September 2, 1994. A birth certificate, social security card and certificate of immunization must be brought to registration.

The Coffee County School System provides services for handicapped pre-school children ages 3-5. For more information regarding Kindergarten or first grade registration please call: Kinston Elementary School: 565-3027; New Brockton Elementary School: 894-6152; Zion Chapel Elementary School: 897-6802; Superintendent's Office: 897-5016.

## NOTICE

The Elba City School System is attempting to identify any homeless children and youth in our school community. These would be those who:

1. Lack a fixed, regular and adequate residence or

2. Have a primary nighttime residence that is:

a. a supervised shelter or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations including welfare hotels, congregate shelters, and transitional housing for the mentally ill;

b. an institution providing temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized;

c. a public or private place not designated for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.

If you know of any children who appear to meet this criteria, please contact the superintendent's office at 101 Tiger Drive or call 897-2801.

## Troy State University names honor students

The names of Troy State University students whose winter quarter grades earned them placement on the Chancellor's and Provost's lists have been announced by Dr. Lawrence Lovik, provost for the TSU system.

The Chancellor's List recognizes students earning a straight A average. The Provost's List recognizes students earning a grade point average of 3.65 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Chancellor's List honorees include: Mark Daniel Flowers, Stacey LaShea Knight, Pamela Lawrence Mitchell, Douglas McArthur Williams, Angelika B. Windham, all of Elba, AL; Lori Grinstead McCrory of Jack, AL; Debra Adams Nobles, James Wade Smith, Stacy Andrea Spears, all of Kinston, AL.

The Provost's List honorees include: Tom Gerald Coate, Leah Anne Crowe, Larkia Hammonds, Donna Jean Holcomb, David Ray Jackson, all of Elba, AL; Linda Denise Davis, Tammy Leigh Richards, Christa Nicole Rogers, all of Kinston, AL.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Allen of Luverne, AL, announce the birth of their second daughter, Jessica Paige, who weighed 8 pounds and was 19 3/4 inches long, on January 19, 1994, in a Montgomery hospital.

Paige is the granddaughter of Ceila Allen of the Bluff Springs Community and niece of Jeanette and Sheila Allen also of Bluff Springs. She was welcomed home by her big sister Jane, age 2.

## NEW ARRIVAL



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## HONOR ROLL

The Elba Christian Academy would like to congratulate its second group of honor roll students for their efforts in achieving academic excellence.

## A HONOR ROLL

Michelle Adkins  
Elizabeth Carney  
Andrew Kimberly  
Kristy Morris  
Carrie Nguyen  
Melissa Taylor

## A-B HONOR ROLL

Garret Bowers  
Nacole Bryan  
Loni Stokes

## VOTE FOR RICHARD (CRACKER) WALDROP

DISTRICT JUDGE -Coffee County-

Subject to the Democratic Primary JUNE 7, 1994

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## COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE PERIOD OF 10-1-93 THRU 3-31-94

GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	CAPITAL PROJECT	DEBT SERVICE	TRUST & AGENCY	*** TOTALS *** MEMORANDUM ONLY
REVENUES					
TAXES	1,171,777.74	570,123.21			1,741,900.95
LICENSES AND PERMITS	48,723.15	20,526.18			69,251.33
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REV	161,945.88	899,381.68	18,500.00	126.00	1,079,953.56
CHARGES FOR SERVICE	993,781.14	110,867.22		10,215.40	1,114,863.96
MISCELLANEOUS REV	65,270.93	66,793.38	1,943.85	6,404.20	140,412.36
TOTAL	2,441,498.84	1,667,693.67	18,500.00	1,943.85	4,146,382.16
EXPENDITURES					
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	830,066.49	80,674.34		12,511.44	923,252.27
PUBLIC SAFETY	515,628.42	6,959.18			522,587.60
ROADS AND ROADS		1,179,612.02			1,179,612.02
SANITATION	816,829.44				816,829.44
HEALTH	14,427.71				14,427.71
WELFARE	12,844.48	18,660.10			31,504.58
CULTURE & RECREATION	2,500.02				2,500.02
EDUCATION	22,203.73				22,203.73
CAPITAL OUTLAY	142,498.58	35,985.62	30,052.28		208,536.48
DEBT SERVICE					
PRINCIPAL RETIREMENT		29,088.50	130,000.00		159,088.50
INTEREST & FISCAL CHARGES		9,664.36	224,823.75		234,488.11
TOTAL	2,356,998.87	1,360,645.12	30,052.28	354,823.75	4,115,031.46
EXCESS REVENUE OVER (-) EXPENDITURES	84,499.97	307,048.55	11,552.28	352,879.90	81,350.70
OTHER SOURCES/USES					
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	9,330.28	654,894.50		717,559.48	1,381,784.26
BOND PROCEEDS	560,336.53	626,824.22	30,052.28	194,623.51	1,381,784.26
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT					
TOTAL	551,006.25	28,070.72	30,052.28	522,935.97	30,052.28
EXCESS REV/OTHER SOURCES OVER (-) EXPENDITURES	466,596.28	335,118.83	18,500.00	170,053.67	61,402.98
FUND BALANCE - BEGIN YEAR	1,076,130.72	253,356.98		2,860,755.30	4,322,305.74
FUND BALANCE - THIS REPORT	609,626.44	588,515.81	18,500.00	3,030,811.37	4,383,708.72

Detailed statements of Individual Fund revenue and expenditures are available for public inspection at the County Commission Office during regular business hours Monday - Friday. The total is captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that it is presented merely to aid financial analysis. Information in this does NOT present the County's financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles; neither is data comparable to a consolidation of county funds; that is interfund eliminations have not been used in totaling these figures. These figures represent unaudited data.

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS AS OF 3-31-94	
Gasoline Fund Warrants	\$ 1,075,000.00
General Obligation Warrant (Jail)	2,300,000.00
General Obligation Warrant (Health Department)	865,000.00
General Obligation Warrant (SBR)	520,000.00
General Obligation Warrant (Refunding Issue)	2,795,000.00
Landfill Warrant	1,520,000.00
Amount in Escrow	\$2,667,717.70

Total Indebtedness \$ 6,407,282.30

William Mobley, Jr.  
Coffee County Administrator

## HAYWOOD DOESN'T APPROVE OF \$0.50 SPLIT OF TAX REVENUE

## Mayor Haywood nixes sales tax increase

by Ferrin Cox  
Publisher

The long anticipated additional 1/2 cent sales tax in the City of Elba failed to become a reality Monday night when Mayor Ricky Haywood cast a negative vote on the issue. The proposal was to impose the tax and split it 50-50 with the Elba school system.

Prevailing legal opinions are that any ordinance of a permanent nature, such as a tax ordinance, must get four affirmative votes to become law.

The vote Monday night was three to one, with two council members abstaining. Council members Earl McCollough and Brad Wilson didn't vote because of a possible conflict of interest. Both men have wives who are teachers in the Elba School system.

Several weeks ago Mayor Haywood told the council members that the Alabama League of Municipalities recommended they get an Attorney General or Ethics Commission opinion before the two voted on

the proposed tax. Council members chose not to get the opinion, expressing thoughts that they had the necessary four votes without the two in question.

An Attorney General opinion issued this month to another municipality quoted Alabama Statutes 11-43-12 and -13, "Prohibits a council member from being interested in any business or contract the expense, price or consideration of which is paid from the municipal treasury."

Apparently both council members were correct in refraining from voting on the issue.

Haywood said after casting the vote which he knew would kill the measure that he wanted to explain his reasons.

He listed the amount of money given to the school in the year 1992-93 as totaling \$132,618.64. This included the \$2,000 per month check, \$10,366.27 in road construction, \$26,400 paid on a school loan and \$71,000 the Water and Electric spent to light the football field.

Editor's note: The loan payment referred to is apparently the pre-flood outstanding balance on the last money borrowed to improve the old downtown school buildings. The school gave all those buildings to the city about two years ago.

Haywood continued with his 1993-94 figures. He said the school has received this far this year: \$12,000 in cash; \$13,200 paid on the loan and \$11,148.75 in road work for a total of \$36,248.75.

He said he had a problem that they shouldn't have a council member not involved in such an important vote. He added that the city needs this money as much as the schools and in the hope the city fathers have not refused money for the schools. The mayor said he would like to see the ordinance rewritten with the money going to the city and the city address the school's needs as they are asked to do so.

School officials contacted Tuesday declined to respond directly to the failed tax other than to express extreme disappointment. Superintendent Charles Pearce said he would have a statement later after he had studied the issue and conferred with members of the Elba School Board.

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## Gladys Yelverton to head Elba's W & E Board

by Ferrin Cox  
Publisher

Mrs. Gladys Yelverton was named Chairman of the Elba Water and Electric Board amid reports that the utility is running short of money to pay bills.

Assistant Superintendent Henry Clark said he had been working with the bookkeeper and if the utility paid all the bills due at that moment, they would be \$8,901.10 in the red. He added they still have two weeks payroll to make this month.

He anticipated the power bill from AEC will increase from the present \$160,000 to \$230,000 during the summer months. Clark explained that the income received always lagged behind the cost of power and money would be real short for the next four months.

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## CITY COUNCIL NAMES JIM NICHOLS AS CITY CLERK WITH A 4 TO 2 VOTE

## Elba City Council makes board appointments

by Ferrin Cox  
Publisher

The Elba City Council made two appointments Monday night and tabled action on another.

The council tabled action on appointing someone to the Water and Electric Board to replace Mickey Murdock, who had previously resigned. That appointment is expected to be made in the regular city council meeting next Monday night.

Appointing Myrna Cowen to the Elba City School Board was a unanimous decision. (Two councilmen Earl McCollough and Brad Wilson, with wives working at the school abstained from the voting on the appointment.)

However a successful motion to appoint James Nichols as city clerk caused some delayed fire. The action passed on the four to two vote with council member Earl McCollough and Mayor Ricky Haywood opposing. However, as the meeting adjourned Haywood in

formed council member John W. Sharpless, who had made the motion appointing Nichols, that he would not work with the man.

Sharpless said Nichols had agreed to serve without pay for the first few weeks to help the city.

Tuesday morning at 8:00 a.m. when Nichols arrived at city hall prepared to begin work, Haywood reportedly assigned him to the city dump. His duties were to count the trucks entering the dump and estimate the amount of trash in each truck.

Nichols left city hall before he filled out the normal paperwork for new employees. Later in the morning he received by certified mail, at his home, a copy of "Employee Warning Record" warning him of "Absence Unexcused." The form was hand written and signed by Mayor Ricky Haywood.

In the section for Company Remarks was written: "I was scheduled to work for Mr. Nichols and the meeting adjourned Haywood in

asked him to fill out employment paper work with secretary Tina Buie. After interrupting Councilman Sharpless conversing with Nichols, he briefly outlined the day's work for him (Nichols) and had Tina type (unreadable) for him. He apparently left with Sharpless and did not return."

In the section for Action To Be Taken was written: "Note other than this written warning and advising Mr. Nichols to come to work - This form to be placed in Personnel File."

Mrs. Cowen will fill the seat presently held by Myrna Rhodes. Rhodes is currently serving as chairman of the board and that chairmanship also expires at the end of May.

The council briefly considered terminating Acting Street Superintendent Billy Meeks and giving his duties to Operations Officer Henry Clark. No action was taken on this. Haywood asked if the matter had even been discussed with Mr. Clark and Sharpless and Clark both said it had. The mayor wanted this to be tabled until "we all sit down and discuss it."

Councilman Bill Brunson agreed the action might need "thinking through" and the matter was tabled.

Following this exchange Mayor Haywood held up what appeared to be a copy of a check for \$22,605.15 to Cannon & Vaughan. He quoted statements from an executive session dealing

curred, an Elba resident, James McMillan, was taken into custody by the Elba police and questioned in the matter.

McMillan was later released without any charges being placed against him.

According to Chief Investigator for the 12th District Attorney's office, Bruce Devane, no charges and no arrests have been made in connection with the shooting.

The incident has officially been termed a homicide and a full-scale investigation into the matter is being conducted by the District Attorney's office.

Assisting in the investigation are the Elba Police Department and the Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences.

Reportedly, the results of the investigation will be presented to a grand jury when it convenes in May.

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## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

The wet-dry issue will surface again soon in Elba. Plans to present a completely new petition with fresh signatures this past Monday were delayed. Those gathering the names went to city hall but found they needed a few more signatures to be sure they met the legal requirements to get the issue on the June 7th ballot.

Elba has a new city clerk... or maybe not. The city council named Jim Nichols to the position Monday night. However Mayor Haywood decided Tuesday morning by 8 a.m. that the trash dump was a good place for him to work. Jim went home until someone decided Elba really needed a city clerk. Elba folks are in a holding pattern awaiting the next chapter of this latest "Saga on the River Pied" or whatever. We have heard some interesting possibilities (or speculations). It might or might not be related but all the folks were changed at city hall Tuesday afternoon. It would all be awful funny if it wasn't so tragic.

Interest rates are continuing their slow rise, going up again this week for the third time this year. It is only the rate banks charge each other on daily deposits. But most other interest rates are pegged to this Fed Fund Rate, set by the Federal Reserve. While the increases are small, one example of the change in a home mortgage was this: a \$125,000 mortgage will cost about \$120 extra per month, even with these small increases.

That June 7th election day is getting closer and closer. While the general public is not talking much about their various options, the candidates themselves are busy putting up signs and passing out cards and pamphlets. We are personally moving very slowly in deciding our choices in many of the races. Mostly it is because we just don't know enough to decide which way to go but then we are not real excited yet either. The Governor's race is probably the most important one we face this year and it is anyone's guess which way our vote is even leaning this year. First we must decide Democrat or Republican. If we go with the Republican state, we don't get to vote in some races in which we have a definite personal interest. If we stay with the Democrats, we might allow the people to name the Republican nominee, and possibly the governor... it has happened before.

Coffee County is very fortunate to have as County Engineer Mark Pool. Last week he was recognized by his peers in the Alabama County Engineers' Association as Engineer of the Year. We regularly see the good things he does for Coffee County. We have also heard folks in the state highway department joke about holding their pocketbook when Mark drives into Montgomery. They admit that he usually talks them out of more state or federal funds for some special projects in Coffee County. Aside from all that, we are proud to count Mark Pool as one of our personal friends. There are admittedly a few things he needs to do better, but we are actively advising him on the corrective measures and that will make him perfect!

The United Nations peace keeping troops are not succeeding at all in Sarajevo. Apparently the UN is wasting every dime spent on that project. The national TV news reports are usually in two segments. They rotate the order but one will report a cease fire agreement and the other will tell of more fighting and killing. It will be in the same area as the cease fire was declared yesterday and between the same folks who destroyed the break in fighting. Sounds like there is some bad, bad blood between those folks over there. One ethnic group of people with certain beliefs fighting neighbors with differing ethnic beliefs. In America, it is usually easy to separate folks along ethnic lines... there is enough difference in physical features to tell the diversity. Over there those folks all have the same features... shake one of each side up in a sack and you'll get a mix which one falls out first. It is only their heart that varies... it harbors the hatred.

The Singapore spanking. The law enforcement folks in that far off place are getting a lot of advice on administering their laws. We understand this type punishment is passed out several hundred times a year, which makes it hard to expect any change just because the kid happens to be a rotten, spoiled American.

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### GUEST EDITORIAL

## Lawyer Praises Sunshine Law

by Dennis R. Bailey,  
Rushon, Skelley, Johnson &  
Garrett P.A.

We have the distinction of being the first state in the nation to adopt a Sunshine Law. No, this has nothing to do with the weather. It concerns one of the very core values of our state government. That the business of our government will be conducted in the open-in the "sunshine" if you will. Hence the name "Sunshine Law." Ours was enacted in 1917.

We also have the distinction of having one of the simplest sunshine laws. Our Sunshine Law prohibits secret meetings of government commissions, councils, boards or committees, except when the "good name and character" of a person is involved. There is majesty in simplicity. Those states that adopted "new and improved" open meetings laws have complicated them by trying to specify how open government should work. Interestingly, those states with complicated open meetings laws also seem to have the most litigation concerning them. By contrast, there are

only a handful of reported cases involving our Sunshine Law.

Our Sunshine Law is also one of the few which carries a criminal penalty for its violation. For decades it has been a criminal offense to conduct or participate in a secret meeting. Making government secrecy a crime no doubt was intended to underscore the importance of open government. While there are no reported cases of any person being convicted of violating our Sunshine Law, our law has unfortunately been subverted by some public officials for decades.

One of the methods for subverting the law has been to hold "spatial" meetings at odd hours, dates or places without notifying the public. Theoretically, the door to the meeting would be open and any interested person could stumble upon the meeting would be welcomed. In fact, some meetings were held over a table at crowded restaurants. However, in practice the public's business would be decided without the public's involvement or knowledge.

When called on this issue,

one of the excuses raised would invariably be that our simple Sunshine Law says nothing specifically about prior notice. However, our Supreme Court has recently ruled that even though notice is not expressly stated, our Sunshine Law nonetheless requires that "reasonable notice" be given to the public of all meetings that must be open to the public. Their common sense reasoning was that it is hard to attend a meeting if you do not know when and where it will be held.

But wisely, the Court did not specify what constitutes "reasonable" notice. This was probably because "reasonableness" would depend on the particular circumstances of each case. This might have left the job of fleshing out details to later court cases between those who can not agree on what is "reasonable" notice. There is another and better way.

As general counsel for the Alabama Press Association, I have urged our member

newspapers that rather than going to court, they try to reach agreements with the governmental bodies they cover concerning what notice would be "reasonable" for them. For most of you, your local newspaper is your only source for information about what your local boards, commissions or councils are doing. However, some of you personally follow the activities of local government and attend meetings of interest to you. I would encourage you to participate in the process of establishing notice procedures.

Finally, for those of you in government who conduct meetings covered by the Sunshine Law I would assure you that the newspapers of Alabama would prefer to discuss this with you at an open meeting than in a courtroom. I would also urge you to involve the press and public in the process of setting rules for giving notice of special meetings. Such discussions could benefit everyone, especially the public we both serve.

## ELBA POLICE REPORT

APR. 12 Thru APR. 18, 1994

The Elba Police Department, beginning Tuesday, April 12, 1994, investigated the following incidents: one VPL, four burglaries, one verbal threat, six thefts, one menacing, six harassing communications, one argument, one public lewdness, one homicide, one vehicle incident, one criminal trespassing, one DUI, and one driver's license suspended.

Traffic citations issued during the week were: three for speeding, one for DUI, two for expired tag, one driving with suspended driver's license, and one for driver's license required.

The following arrests were made: one for harassment and one for criminal mischief.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 12** - Burglary reported at Bill Stokes' office (3:00 p.m.); Alarm at Elba General Hospital (5:26 p.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (9:22 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13** - Routine activity.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 14** - Rescue run to a residence on Sunset Blvd. (6:23 a.m.); Attempted burglary reported at a residence on Putnam St. (12:05 p.m.); Wreck on Factory St. (1:28 p.m.); Alarm at a business on Plant Ave. (6:39 p.m.); Prowl reported on Sunset Blvd. (10:44 p.m.).

**FRIDAY, APRIL 15** - Rescue run to a residence on Sunset Blvd. (7:38 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (12:21 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Co. Rd. 410 (5:17 p.m.); Wreck

reported on AL Hwy. 87N (8:50 p.m.); Alarm at SouthTrust Bank (9:30 p.m.); Subject reported shot on West St. (9:53 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on West St. (9:53 p.m.);

**SATURDAY, APRIL 16** - Alarm at National Guard Armory (6:31 a.m.); Burglary at Legion Field (7:59 a.m.); Alarm at SouthTrust Bank (7:59 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (7:40 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Troy Highway (10:32 p.m.); Prowl reported on Smith Ave. (10:50 p.m.).

**SUNDAY, APRIL 17** - Rescue run to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of U.S. Hwy. 87W & AL Hwy. 141 (8:25 a.m.); Fire & rescue units dispatched to wreck on U.S. Hwy. 84W (8:25 a.m.); Wreck reported on Martin Luther King Drive (8:58 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (10:31 p.m.); Prowl reported on Smith Ave. (10:50 p.m.).

**MONDAY, APRIL 18** - Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Farmer's Bait Shop (12:48 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on AL Hwy. 167 (2:02 p.m.); Prowl reported at Morrow Village (10:24 p.m.).

### BE CAREFUL

ELBA  
GENERAL HOSPITAL  
REPORT

### Bulletin Board

CEMETERY LOTS - Effective April 15, 1994, the cost of a 12'x12' to 12'x16' lot in Evergreen Cemetery will be \$400. Corner markers will be an additional \$60.

SS. REP. - Courtroom, 4th Tues. 12:30-1:30 Call PREL 1-800-721-1213

ROTARY CLUB - Tuesday @ Noon - First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

ELBA MINISTERS ASSN. - Tues. 8:00 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

ELBA CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:15 p.m. City Hall

WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Mon. 5:15 p.m. City Hall

COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Monday of each month - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton

LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center

ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 5:30 p.m. - Sign Office

AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.

RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. 7:00 p.m. - Rescue Squad Building

MASSON LODGE 170 - 1st & 3rd Mon. 7:00 p.m. - 7 p.m. - Banquet Room @ Elba High School

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - The Coffee County Veterans Affairs Office will be CLOSED the week of April 18 through April 22 for employees to attend annual training conference. In case of medical emergency call: VA Medical Center, Montgomery 41-205-272-4461

COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASSN. - 3rd Sat. 3 p.m. - Club House

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The Elba Clipper wants to correct errors that appear in this newspaper. Any reader who wishes to point out our error, whether ours or those of our sources, should contact the editor at 897-2823. Clarifications will appear promptly in this space.

## CITY

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per year.

Reverend Hiram Williams, of Abundant Life Church, asked to change his lease of the auditorium in the old high school to a lease purchase. The council took no action. Some council members felt that the facility should remain as city property because of sentiment. Others questioned the legality of the method Williams was proposing.

Two other pieces of city property have been contracted on a lease-purchase agreement in recent months. However both quality under a state law designed to help industrial development while some council members wanted answers before agreeing to do the same with a church group.

Haywood wanted the council to consider some type funeral leave for city employees. Sharpless noted that city employees already got more than the average amount of leave time. The matter was tabled until the next meeting at the request of McCollough.

The council approved purchase orders for mosquito spray at \$2500; accident insurance for the recreation department at \$550 and tractor repair at \$525.

Lt. Freddie Hanchey gave the police report in the absence of Chief Parker.

The department answered 49 complaints since the last report. They issued 26 traffic citations including three for DUI. They worked

six traffic accidents with four injuries. There were 25 dogs picked up and one was returned to the owner.

Hanchey reported that the teenage curfew was "going real good" and the police had not notified any parents of children who were out after hours.

Reports that a circus was planning to come to Elba this week was discussed with Hanchey. He told of trouble finding out anything about the operation. The council instructed him to not allow them to set up if everything wasn't clear.

Hanchey said Tuesday afternoon that everything checked and the circus would be allowed to set up for the Tuesday night performance.

## TSUD HONORS

### TSUD President's Graduate Honor List

Troy State University at Dothan President Thomas Harrison has named students to the 1994 Winter Quarter President's Graduate Honor List. To qualify for this academic honor, a graduate student must receive a grade point average of 4.0 (all A's) on minimum of 10 quarter hours of course work.

Local students named to the President's Graduate Honor List include: Angel I. Hatcher of New Brockton, AL.

### TSUD President's List

Troy State University at Dothan President Thomas Harrison has named students to the 1994 Winter Quarter President's List. To qualify for this academic honor, an undergraduate student must receive a grade point average of 4.0 (all A's) on minimum of 12 quarter hours of course work.

Local students named to the President's List include: Melinda F. Drewery of Elba, AL; Shirley S. Legg of Jack, AL; and Darren K. Stevens of New Brockton, AL.

### TSUD Dean's List

Dr. Frank M. Lovich, vice president for academic affairs, has named students to the Dean's List for the 1994 Winter Quarter at Troy State University at Dothan. Undergraduate students receiving this honor must earn a minimum grade point average of 3.66 on the University's 4.0 scale for 12 or more credit hours.

Local students named to the Dean's List include: Teresa C. Whigham of Kinston, AL.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Friends:

I would like to take this opportunity of expressing my sincere appreciation for your donations of money, time, and materials for the Elba Nursing Home clean-up day, April 9, 1994.

The results of your efforts are very visible and enjoyed by the staff, and most importantly our residents, who call this facility "home". I encourage you to become a part of our extended family by visiting our residents, and making suggestions on how we can improve to make the Nursing Home a better place for our residents to reside.

You are always welcome to visit and a very special thanks to all of you.

Sincerely,  
Ellen C. Briley  
Administrator

### Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

Last month, a tornado swept through Frisco Community in Coffee County.

These strong winds caused extensive damage to our poultry houses and other homes in our rural community.

After this disaster we realized how fortunate we were to have had no injuries or fatalities.

First we thank God for sparing many homes and most of all, lives. Next, we would like to thank everyone who worked long hours loading and transporting our four week old chickens into other chicken houses. We especially thank everyone who used their own trucks and fuel to help carry out this job more quickly.

We also appreciate all the food, drinks, and other supplies furnished by the American Red Cross, faculty and staff members at Hillcrest Elementary School in Enterprise, AL, and church members of Roston Baptist Church. "Thank You" hardly expresses our gratitude.

Tim Sanders and Family  
Frisco Community

## Co-op to celebrate 50th anniversary at annual meeting

Covington Electric members will celebrate their cooperative's 50th anniversary during this year's membership meeting Thursday, April 28, at the Andalusia High School football stadium.

Member registration opens at 4:00 p.m., and entertainment by J. D. Sumner and The Stumps, a famous gospel group, will begin at 7:00 p.m. A brief business session will follow at 7:00 p.m.

The Stumps performed regularly with Elvis Presley during the height of his success. They have appeared on numerous television shows, including the "Grand Ol' Opry," "Crook and Chase," and "Music City Tonight," and performed at Graceland, Opryland USA, and at the Andalusia High School football stadium.

Sumner, the group's leader and organizer, is recorded in the Guinness Book of World Records as being the "World's Lowest Bass" singer.

Heading the list of attendance prizes this year is a 1987 half-ton pickup truck. Other major prizes to be awarded are a 20-inch color television, a videocassette recorder (VCR), a microwave oven, and an electric grill with roisserie. Some special anniversary prizes will also be awarded. Each co-op member will receive a free cloth tote bag and specially packaged light bulb commemorating the 50th anniversary of Covington Electric Cooperative.

During the business session, a brief report on operations of the cooperative will be presented, including details on cycle billing and meter reading, and two members will be elected to three-year terms on the board of trustees. All members are encouraged to attend.

For 12 hours, teams, composed of 10-12 members, will pitch campaigns to have an all night adventure of games, sporting events, music, friendly competition and team building.

Teams will walk or run in relay fashion throughout the entire event. This is NOT an athletic competition. Team members are to have fun and not be competitive.

Each of the teams will be encouraged to be as creative as possible in organizing and decorating their camps.

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Wednesday - Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Milk  
Thursday - Eggs, Toast, Juice, Milk  
Friday - Sausage & Hash, Juice, Milk

**LUNCH**  
Monday - Pizza, Corn, Carrot Sticks, Fruit, Milk  
Tuesday - Spaghetti, Green Salad, Garden Peas, Rolls, Fruit, Milk  
Wednesday - Salmon, Cucumber, Creamed Potatoes, Butterbeans, Fruit, Rolls, Milk  
Thursday - Tumpis, Corn Dogs, Cheese & Macaroni, Fruit, Milk  
Friday - Hamburger On Bun, French Fries, Green Beans, Pudding, Milk

## EAT HEALTHY

## EHS CURRENTS

by Molly Mills & Dana Stinson  
The Student Council speeches will be given on Monday, April 25th, after homeroom.

Club days for April will be the 20th and 27th.  
Students interested in the COOP program for this summer and next school year should turn their applications in to Mr. Lawford as soon as possible.

The Elba Tiger Softball Team will travel to New Brighton on Thursday, April 21 at 3:30 to battle the Cardinals. The Elba Tiger Softball Team will travel to Andalusia on Thursday, April 21st at 3:30 to battle the Bulldogs for a doubleheader. They play Opp at 4:00 on April 25th and G.W. Long at 4:00 on April 26th. Please come out and support the Tigers!

The Elba Lady Tiger Softball Team will travel to New Brighton on Thursday, April 21 at 3:30 to battle the Cardinals. They will also play in Lawrence at 4:00 on April 25th and in Enterprise at 3:30 on April 26th. Show your school spirit and support the Lady Tigers!



The Driver's Education classes at EHS recently held a program, and their guest speaker was State Trooper Ronnie Whitworth. He is shown here discussing Alabama laws with former exchange student Miriam Vollhardt.

**Don't Forget To Buckle Up! Remember It's The Law!!!**

## SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SCHOOLS

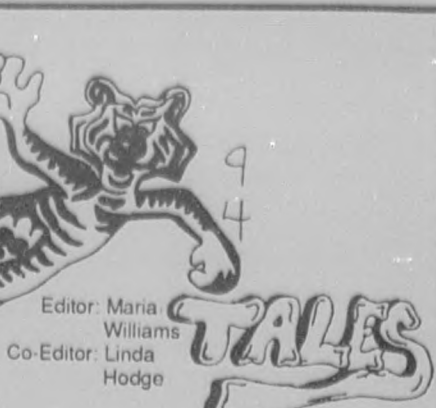
## Good Cents New Features

Elton Crosby talks about the benefits of Good Cents construction.

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## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Pictured above (l to r) are Mica Fanning, Samantha Siler, and Costellus Lawrence.

by Robyn Rhoades & Stacy Seay  
Mica Fanning is the seventh grade daughter of Pam and Ron Sondergaard. She attends the First Baptist Church of Elba. Samantha Siler is the ninth grade daughter of Jeanette and Marvin Siler. She enjoys reading, singing, and dancing. Samantha is a member of FBLA and attends Kosky Head Baptist Church. Costellus Lawrence is the son of Pamela Mitchell. He is in the ninth grade and enjoys playing and playing video games. Costellus is a member of Mu Alpha Theta, VICA, Drama Club, and attends Oak Grove Baptist Church.

## LUNCHTIME POLL

This week's question is "If you could visit any place in the world, where would you go?"  
April Wildfield: "South Korea."  
Novella Robinson: "Europe."  
Laundrea Flowers: "Paris."  
Gayshia Rodgers: "Mexico."  
Chris Harrell: "Italy."  
Josh Caldwell: "Germany."  
Perry Sison: "Africa."  
Roslyn McBride: "Virgin Islands."  
Kadonja Peterson: "Hawaii."  
Teresa Staudenire: "Mexico."  
Kimbo Nicholson: "France."  
Keith Martin: "Italy."  
Chuck Miller: "Jerusalem."  
Dorcas Mares: "Hawaii."  
Dee Dee Smith: "Egypt."  
Lori Smith: "Singapore."  
Stacy Seay: "India."  
Beth Staudenire: "Africa."  
Ariana Wright: "Bahamas."  
Alice Hammond: "Somalia."  
Lanny Knight: "Jamaica."  
Roscoe Coleman: "Hawaii."

## Elba Students Win In AEC Essay Contest

by Amanda Calhoun

Alabama Electric Cooperative sponsored its annual essay contest with ten winners from Mrs. Padgett's second and fifth period advanced English classes. All students in each class submitted an essay written about topics given by AEC. Mrs. Padgett chose the ten best essays and these winners were able to tour the AEC plant in Andalusia, AL. The winners included: Mary Stephens, Shea Ward, Charles Bozeman, Charlie Dargers, Cary Clark, Elena Strong, Dawn Grimes, Patrick Scarborough, Shaquella Williams, and Malinda Tyson. From the top ten finalists, AEC representatives chose five students to participate in an interview with judges in order to decide a lucky winner that would be invited to travel to Washington, DC the following week. Shea Ward was chosen as the winner. Charles Bozeman was chosen as first alternate, Dawn Grimes as second alternate, Cary Clark as third alternate, and Patrick Scarborough as fourth alternate. Two students from the top five were invited to attend the annual Alabama Rural Electrification Association Convention in Montgomery, AL, on April 6 and 7. Shea and Cary attended, along with several other students from



AEC YOUTH TOUR WINNERS. Pictured above (front row, l to r) are Dawn Grimes, second alternate Shea Ward, winner; Cary Clark, third alternate; (back row, l to r) Patrick Scarborough, fourth alternate; Charles Bozeman, first alternate.

all over Alabama. When asked both stated that they had lots of fun and enjoyed having the chance to attend. Congratulations to all winners in the AEC essay contest and especially to Shea for receiving a trip to Washington.

## Elba High's FBLA Wins 8 Awards At State

The Elba High School FBLA Club was well represented and recognized at the State Leadership Conference in Montgomery, Alabama on April 7-8. The chapter brought home eight awards. These included first place, American Enterprise Project Report, second place, Local Chapter Annual Business Report, second place, Job Description Manual; second place, Job Description Manual; District IV; Gold Seal Award of Merit; Publicity, State Project; and 100 Percent Membership.

American Enterprise Project Report. This award winning report summarized our American enterprise activities. This year's theme was, Shop in Elba. The contents of the report included topics such as planning, organizing, development of activities, implementation, publicity of projects, and impact on the school and the community. It also included letters sent to businesses, news stories about the projects, announcements, flyers, etc. As a result of winning first place, our chapter received a trophy and \$25.

Local Chapter Annual Business Report. This report was written to the Elba FBLA Chapter. It summarized all the club's activities for the year. Some of the topics included a letter to the membership, number of members; size of school and community; when and how chapter was organized; attendance at regional, state, national, and international conferences; fundraising activities; public relation activities; recognition for school, community, and industrial activities; chapter management; organization; and financial development. For this report, our chapter received a trophy and \$15.

Job Description Manual. This manual was prepared by Jennifer Hollinghead. She had to gather information about her job as a general office clerk in the personnel department at Dorsey Trailers, Inc. This report included information on the following topics: overview of the occupational field, overview of the company, job analysis, and reaction to the job experience. This was the first time that an EHS FBLA student earned a job description manual in the state conference. Our club received one of the three publicity awards given at the state conference. This report summarized our public involvement, media activities, promotion of public education, campus activities, and other promotional activities.

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by Linda Hodge

This week's spotlight focuses on students working at three local businesses. The three businesses that employ these students are Bradley's Florist and Gifts, State Farm Insurance, and Hardee's. Jill Dunn is a junior at EHS. She works at Bradley's Florist and Gifts during the mornings where her supervisor, Ralph Bradley, keeps her busy. Jill uses her talents to help the Bradley's arrange flowers for customers in the area. Jill is always eager to arrange flowers for her customers. Jennifer Adams is a senior at EHS. She works at State Farm Insurance during the afternoons. Her supervisor, Kenneth Calhoun, always has plenty for Jennifer to do when she arrives. Jennifer may find her doing a wide range of work from answering the phone to typing letters. So, if you need insurance, go by State Farm and Jennifer will greet you with a smile.

Stephen Knighton is a junior at EHS. He works at Hardee's during the afternoons. As soon as Stephen arrives, his supervisor, Joe Wilson, puts him to work taking orders and getting food for customers. Next time you visit Hardee's, please take your order with Stephen and you will be 100% satisfied.

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Pictured above are (sitting, l to r) Jennifer Hollinghead and Shannon Crocker; (standing, l to r) Margo Gray, Lisa Williams, and Donna DeBoer.

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by Maria Williams

While the rest of us were in homeroom on Wednesday, April 6, 31 spouses were boarding a bus to take a trip to the Montgomery Zoo. Mrs. Scarborough's advanced biology classes traveled to our state capital to get a first hand look at the subjects they had been studying all year. Taking the trip were Jarrod Adkins, Wyndi Baker, Wendy Bottwell, Rudy Free, Melissa Hall, Todd Hollinghead, Mary Margaret Jacobs, Sasha Kidd, Jill Martin, Will Goss, John Robertson, Jenny Ross, Brian Rowe, Karen Schindler, Leroy Smedley, Marsha Tillis, Kelli Tindal, Mandy White, Jama Windham, Regina Austin, Eddie Cowen, Shondra Daniels, Todd Grantham, Crystal Layton, Joe Lott, Julie Parker, Crystal Phillips, Griffin Shirley, Marian Smith, Anna Stokes, and Clint Tindal. The students not only got a break from the regular school routine, they learned something in the process.

## GO TIGERS! Math & Nursing Make A Pair?

by Dawn Grimes  
Wednesday, March 16, Mrs. Jan Wicker addressed Mrs. Adkins's third period math research and fourth period advanced math classes. Mrs. Wicker is currently Director of Nursing at Elba General Hospital. She spoke about many different aspects of nursing, including the importance of mathematics in calculating dosages.

As a token of appreciation, Mrs. Adkins presented Mrs. Wicker with a gift. Both classes thoroughly enjoyed her presentation. A special thanks is extended to Mrs. Wicker and Elba General Hospital for their eagerness to enlighten the students with information about nursing.

Hours at your Elba Public Library are:  
• Mon., Thurs. and Friday - open from 10 a.m. til 5 p.m.  
• Every TUESDAY the library is open from 10 a.m. til 7 p.m.  
• Wednesday - library open from 10 a.m. until noon

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Tuesday - Hot Biscuits, Ham, Jelly & Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Wednesday - English Muffin, Scrambled Eggs, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Thursday - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Friday - Egg Salad Toast, Bacon Slice, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

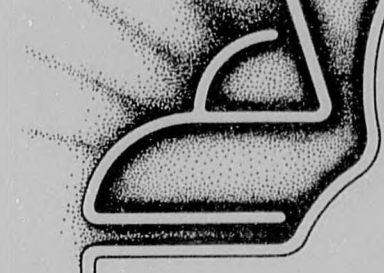
**LUNCH**  
Monday - Cheeseburger, Pizza, French Fries, Baked Beans, Lettuce, Tomato, Dills, Choice Of Fruit, Milk  
Tuesday - Meatloaf, Baked Ham, Green Beans, Breaded Oats, Choice Of Fruit, Rice Krispie Treat, Milk  
Wednesday - Fried Chicken, Hotdog, Steamed Cabbage, Scalloped Potatoes, Choice Of Fruit, Hot Rolls, Milk  
Thursday - Roast Beef Sandwich, Beef & Cheese Nachos, Baked Onion Rings, Baked Potato, Choice Of Fruit, Milk  
Friday - Spaghetti W/Meat Sauce, Burrito W/Sauce, Green Salad, English Peas, Choice Of Fruit, Cracker, Cherry Cobbler, Milk

## GO REBELS!

## Chris Green Receives Troy State University Scholarship

Dr. Jack Hawkins, chancellor of the Troy State University System, announced today that Christina Ann Green, of Route 2, Box 243, Troy, Alabama, is the recipient of the Excellence in Leadership Scholarship.

Green will be a 1994 graduate of Zion Chapel High School. She is the daughter of Donald and Anita Green. Since the late 1960s, Troy State University has awarded academic and leadership scholarships to outstanding high school and junior college graduates who have excelled in academics and/or have displayed leadership in various school pursuits.



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# FBLA Hits A Home Run With State Project

ca of the FBLA Emblem.

The State Project for members of Alabama Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) was named "Team Up With Business." The project was divided into three bases, a home run, and a grand slam. Local chapters who hit a home run or a grand slam by completing steps in the projects were recognized at the State Conference held in Birmingham, Zion Chapel hit a home run!

The first step was to adopt a child through a program sponsored by the Coffee County Department of Human Resources. Three children were adopted by the Zion Chapel High School Chapter for the Christmas Season. The membership was divided into four committees. Each child was assigned to a committee whose job it was to collect toys and clothing for the child adopted. Each committee was informed about clothing sizes and toy preferences. The fourth committee was to gather food and personal hygiene items for the entire family. The toys, clothing, personal hygiene items, and food were delivered on December 16, 1993. The social worker from the Coffee County Department of Human Resources related the success of the project.

The second step was to reactivate an inactive local chapter. Zion Chapel Chapter of FBLA did not reactivate an FBLA Chapter. However, three members, Laura Brown, Chris Green and Chris Hodge, visited the Dale County High School Chapter of FBLA as motivational speakers. The Dale County sponsor called the Zion Chapel sponsor asking that members from Zion Chapel come to one of their meetings to talk about the exciting things that could happen as a result of FBLA membership. The success of their visit could be measured by the fact that Dale County FBLA was in attendance at the District IV Meeting and some of their members did attend competitions.

Another step in the project was to team up with another school organization. FBLA joined with FFA during American Vocational Education and Training Week. FBLA members presented the FBLA Emblem Ceremony during the assembly. FBLA member Arleen Priddy entertained by performing a song by Patsy Cline titled "Crazy." Arleen performed this song at the District IV Talent Competition and second place. At the Open House FBLA members served as ushers and each visitor was presented with a bag of candy decorated with ribbons in blue and gold and a repli-

ca of the FBLA Emblem.

Barriers were prepared promoting American Vocational Education and FBLA Week and placed in the main hall of the high school.

Another step was to "Team up with your Chapter." To complete this step, newspaper articles were published about every FBLA activity that occurred during the school year. Posters, banners, and bulletin boards were prepared to recruit FBLA members. Zion Chapel FBLA was recognized at State Conference for outstanding membership achievement.

The last step was called "Team up with Alabama FBLA." This step was

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## Views from The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

There is only one way to find out the answer to something you don't know, and that is to ask a question. Melanie may not know a whole lot quite yet, but at her current pace of asking questions she'll be a genius before long. Lately she has been asking what a lot of words mean, what people on TV mean when they do things, why it's foggy some mornings and it seems like "Why" is all of the sudden one of the most used words in her vocabulary. We try to answer every question she asks, but that isn't always easy, and we want to be sure we give her the right answer so she won't be misled. It may be time for Dad to go back and do a little homework!

### ELBA TIGERS CLAIM TWO BIG AREA 4 WINS

The Elba Tigers are still a long way from playing like everyone expected them to; however, they did claim two important Area 4 wins last week and are once again the favorites to win the 3A, Area 4 title. The Tigers claimed an easy win last Monday over a Luveme team that has struggled through a rough year, while on Tuesday the Tigers made the long trip to Louisville and rallied late to dump the Red Devils, and improve their Area 4 slate to 2-0, with two big games left this week. Elba closed out the week Friday with a loss to Opp, and by the end of the week the Tigers' overall record stood at 4-6. Not bad, but certainly not very good.

The wins over Luveme and Louisville were big wins for the Tigers as they attempt to salvage the Area 4 title, but neither wins were all that impressive and it was obvious in both games that the Tigers simply don't have the team that everyone expected. Elba seemed to lack enthusiasm, didn't seem fired up about anything that happened, or could possibly happen, and just went through the motions, like it has throughout the season. This bunch of players have been winning baseball games since they were six years old and in recent years have challenged for state championships in Dixie Youth, Babe Ruth and High School, but all of the sudden it appears that the players have lost the togetherness, pride and dedication it takes to win big in any sport.

These players have always won, and may take winning for granted. If that is the problem, they should have found out by now that other teams are wanting to win more than they are and the time for a major "attitude check" is now. There is no one to point any fingers at...the players have the skills to win and know how to play baseball. It's up to them.

### ELBA LADY TIGERS MOVED OVER .500 WITH THREE WINS

The Elba Lady Tigers claimed three wins in four games last week to nose their season record over the .500 mark at 6-4. The Lady Tigers split a double-header with the powerful Opp Lady Bobcats early in the week, then swept past a solid Geneva team late in the week to gain some important momentum going into another busy week of action.

Elba hasn't played nearly as many games as most high school teams, and the Lady Tigers have been really scarce into a game-type atmosphere. However, the wins last week will no doubt provide a spark and maybe the Lady Tigers are close to getting on a roll that will see them roll right back into the state tournament!

### BRAVES ARE COLLECTING SCALPS IN EARLY SEASON

I have never really been all that big an Atlanta Braves fan, but I'll admit that so far this season I have watched at least parts of every single game and have enjoyed the Braves as they have won, and won, and won. I am a Fred McGriff fan, and like to watch the Braves' pitchers challenge the opposition day in and day out, but most of all I like to watch the enthusiasm of the Braves youngsters like Klesco, Lopez and Tarasco. The spirit of the younger players has pumped new life into Atlanta veterans, and the combination has been success. So far, I am a die-hard "49 Braves" fan!

### ON THE GRILL, ONCE OVER LIGHTLY ...

\*\*\*The Alabama High School Athletic Association mailed out its March "Bulletin" last week and included in the monthly newsletter was a long listing of open dates on the schedules of football teams across the state. Elba released its schedule last week, but if the Tigers did get to play 10 games possible matchups would include Clayton, Excel, Trimity, Clarke County, Tallapoosa, Alba, Citronelle, Atmore and Greenville. The Kinston Bulldogs listed an open date the last week of the season, and after looking down the list possible opponents include Goshen, Lynam Ward, Elmore County and St. Paul's. Enterprise had its open date listed as the first week of the season, and if that's still the case, the Wildcats could challenge Jess Lanier, Parker or Valley.

\*\*\*The passage of three proposals by the AHSAA's Legislative Council recently did nothing to change high school athletics. I've always thought that it's never good just to change simply for the sake of change, but some of the proposals that I believe would have helped the schools across the state included: giving schools a 30-day period at the end of school year in 15 days of spring football drills, with schools that don't hold spring training getting an extra week of fall practice; holding state championship games in football on neutral sites; to revert back to the '92 brackets, which will eliminate the cross-state trips in the second round of the playoffs; allowing ninth grade students to participate in varsity athletics at the high school they will attend; if the sport they wish to play is not offered at the junior high they attend, that the area change to regions and eight teams are placed in each region, with two or three teams advancing; and, barring private schools and parochial schools from being members of the AHSAA unless the schools follow school zone lines. I think all of these proposals had merit and should be reconsidered, possible, after a stringent lobbying effort by some of the high schools across the state.

\*\*\*The Elba Tigers and Elba Lady Tigers took the first step toward having a home field in baseball and softball last week when it was announced that the fencing would be completed soon on the fields located on the Elba High campus. The fields are located behind the school complex and appear to be in an ideal location for the players and fans to gain maximum enjoyment. Maybe, if funds are received, the fields will be ready for the 1994 seasons, thus completing the athletic fields at the campus. Since the fields will be new, I urge the athletic and school officials to grass the infield on the baseball field. Elba now plays on one of the few dirt infields around in the high school ranks, and this will be the chance to give the baseball team the same top-notch place to play as the football and basketball teams.

\*\*\*It was good to see former-Alabama basketball coach Wimp Sanderson resurface last week in the college coaching ranks, even if it was at Arkansas-Little Rock. Sanderson became somewhat of a cult figure at Alabama as he led the Crimson Tide to 10 NCAA tournaments, and made "plaid the fat" for all Tide basketball fans. Sanderson's colorful reign ended until accusations of striking his secretary, who later also accused the coach of having a 15-year affair with her during his years at Bama. Sanderson never admitted his guilt to any accusation; however, he did resign and allowed the University to settle out-of-court with the secretary. Sanderson was passed over by many schools that would have loved to have had his coaching skills due to the fiery nature of his final days at Alabama, but now that he has returned outside, you can bet that his next move won't be nearly as long in coming. Many times the first step is the hardest, and that step has now been taken!

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# SPORTS

## Elba goes 2-0 in Area 4 race

## Tigers begin to show signs of life

The Elba Tigers began to show signs of life last week as they posted two wins in three games to improve their record for the season to 4-6. The Tigers opened the week in grand fashion Tuesday, claimed important Area 4 wins over Luveme 11-0 and Louisville 6-4, then closed out the week Friday with a loss to 4-0 Opp 10-5.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

**ELBA 11 LUVEME 0**  
The Elba Tigers pounded out 11 hits and rode the 2-hit pitching of Cory Driggers last Monday as they pounded the Luveme Tigers 11-0, in Luveme.

## Elba Lady Tigers win three of four, improve to 6-4

The Elba Lady Tigers had a big week on the softball field last week as they posted three wins in four games to improve their record to 6-4.

The Lady Tigers opened the week on Monday by splitting a double-header with Opp, then Thursday swept Geneva.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

**ELBA 4 OPP 0**  
Elba pitcher Wendy Boutwell limited Opp to only three base-runners in seven innings as the Lady Tigers blanked the Lady Bobcats 4-0.

The Elba grabbed a quick 1-0 lead in the first inning as Marian Smith got a leadoff single and scored on a base hit by Katonya Peterson. The Lady Tigers maintained the slim lead until the fourth, when April Whitfield, Wyndi Baker and Denise Burks all rapped out hits to spark a 3-run outburst that put the Tigers ahead for good 4-0.

Denise Burks and Eoyone Rayborn both got 2 hits for Elba.

**OPP 16 ELBA 5**  
Opp exploded for 15 runs in the first inning, but Elba rallied for a 16-5 win over the Elba Lady Tigers, to earn a split of the doubleheader.

Opp grabbed an early 1-0 lead in the top of the first; however, the Lady Tigers bounced right back and scored three runs in the bottom of the inning to grab a 3-1 advantage.

Marian Smith, April Whitfield and Wyndi Baker all drew walks to open the game for Elba, and Katonya Peterson and Denise Burks followed with hits as the Lady Tigers moved on top.

Elba held the 3-1 lead until the fourth inning, when Opp scored two runs to pull even at 3-3, and the Lady Bobcats then broke loose as they scored seven runs in the fifth to grab a 10-3 lead and pulled away for the topside win.

Katonya Peterson got 3 hits for Elba in the loss.

**ELBA 10 GENEVA 1**  
The Elba Lady Tigers pulled ahead early and never looked back as they pounded the Geneva Lady Panthers 10-1.

Elba jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the opening inning behind the hitting of Marian Smith. Denise Burks, Mary Margaret Jacobs and Katonya Peterson, then stretched the lead to 4-0 in the second as Yelma Whitfield and Jama Windham delivered key hits.

Geneva cut the lead to 4-1 in the top of the fourth; however, the Lady Tigers were far from being finished and moved on top 6-1 in the bottom of the inning as Whitfield and Windham again got big hits.

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**ELBA 8 GENEVA 4**  
The Elba Lady Tigers made it a clean sweep as they rallied late to down the Geneva Lady Panthers 8-4.

The Lady Tigers grabbed an early 1-0 in the opening inning as Marian Smith singled and later scored on an rbi hit by Yelma Whitfield.

Geneva plated 3 runs to take a 3-2 advantage, but Elba matched the run in the third and pulled even at 3-3, when Wendy Boutwell singled and circled the bases on two Geneva errors.

The score remained knotted at 3-3 until the sixth inning, when the Lady Bobcats' bats finally came to life and Elba won 4-3.

Denise Burks and Eoyone Rayborn both got 3 hits for Elba and Denise Burks added 2.

Both teams added a late run, with Elba's come-off the bat of Jama Whitfield, as the Lady Tigers followed with hits as the Lady Bobcats then broke loose as they scored seven runs in the fifth to grab a 10-3 lead and pulled away for the topside win.

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**MINISTER FAREWELLED.** The Southeast and Union District Ministers Union hosted a farewell dinner at the Greenville Holiday Inn recently for Rev. and Mrs. J.H. Curry. Ministers present were, from left, Raymond Malard, R. F. McCreary, Ricky Scott, R.D. McCreary, R.D. Gandy, C.A. Bennett, J.H. Curry, J.R. Parks, Leroy Gandy, and J. Jones. Not shown, but present were Rev. Tillman, Robert Lewis and the ministers' wives.



**EE'S THIRD GRADERS ENJOY PROGRAM.** Elba Elementary third graders enjoyed a program on March 17 presented by Alabama Power. The program, Magnets, provided insight and involved our students in experimentation with magnets and their many uses in our daily lives.



**CULTURAL EXCHANGE.** The Coffee County Council of the Association for Family and Community Education, hosted a cultural exchange program on April 5, 1994 at the New Brockton Farm Center. Aizher Garcia of Spain (center) and Vladimir Premeru of Yugoslavia (right) were guest speakers. Smokey Burgess is the community coordinator for International Education Forum.

### Ma Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe to meet Sunday, April 24

The Ma Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama will hold a meeting on Sunday, April 24, at 2:00 p.m. at the Tribal Office. The office is located at 708 S. John Street in New Brockton, Alabama. The meeting will be in reference to federal recognition and payment of energy bills. For additional information call 894-5631.

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#### Annual Youth Revival

The Annual Youth Revival of the Rocky Head MB Church of Elba, AL, Rev. A. R. Williams, pastor, will be held April 20-22, 1994 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The evangelist will be Rev. W. M. Daniels, pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church, Lockhart, Alabama. The Master of Ceremony will be Bro. Curtis Kelley.

Wednesday night, April 20, 1994: The welcome will be given by Sis. Stephanie Williams followed by a short talk by Bro. D. J. Belcher.

Thursday night, April 21, 1994: The welcome will be given by Sis. Brittany Daniels followed with a short talk by Bro. Costellus Lawrence.

Friday night, April 22, 1994: The welcome will be given by Sis. Kayla Phillips.

All churches are invited to worship with us and please bring your youth.

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Kimberly Rideaux, Opp, AL, was the week-end guest of Jana and Melissa Kelley, Elba, AL.

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Cleaven and Vera Williams, Elba, AL, were dinner guests of Mrs. Annie L. Williams, Elba, AL, Sunday evening.

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A Benefit Program for Sis. Allie G. Henderson and Sis. Versie Barnes will be held at Rocky Head MB Church, Elba, AL, on Saturday, April 30, 1994, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Rev. A. R. Williams is pastor.

The devotion will be given by Sis. Catherine Waters and Sis. Annie P. Siler. The welcome/occasion will be given by Sis. Mary H. Hooks.

Sponsors will be the Widows' Support Group and Rocky Head MB Church.

Everyone is invited.



**OUR PRIDE IS SHINING THROUGH.** Students at Elba Elementary School wear their new school uniforms with pride. The t-shirt logo, "Our Pride is Shining Through", is the theme that Elba Elementary School also proudly displays on the cafeteria wall. The picture shows students wearing their shirts or the color yellow to show their "pride is shining through" in their school work and in themselves.

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**KENDRICK OLYMPIC PRIZE WINNERS.** AEA Olympic prize winners from Kendrick Community Center are: (front row, l to r) Dougie Kyles, Quinton Moultrie, Aaron Goodson; (back row, l to r) Nikki Daniels, Kimberly McDonald, Jason McDonald, Jennifer Barlow, Danae Ware, Meagan Davis, and Alicia Hudson.



**MORROW VILLAGE ART CONTEST WINNERS.** The winners of the Morrow Village AEA Art Contest are: (l to r) Andre Allen, Meagan Parrish, and Candace Allen.



**MORROW VILLAGE OLYMPIC PRIZE WINNERS.** AEA Olympic prize winners from Morrow Village are: (front row, l to r) Josh Parrish, Mary Allen, Timmy Gettings, Samantha Chandler, Ashley Chandler, Atanya Parrish; (back row, l to r) John Mitchell, Jeremy Parrish, April Stoudimire, Johnny Stoudimire, Meagan Parrish, Rene Parrish, Cindy Mitchell.

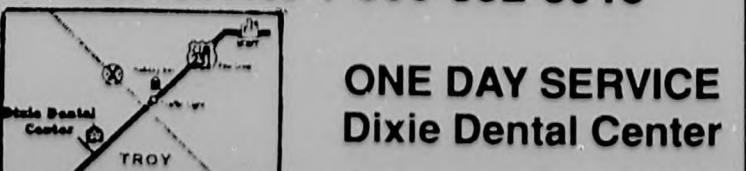
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MAYOR ADJOURNS MEETING BUT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECONVENES WITHOUT MAYOR

## Council hits Mayor Haywood with restraining order

by Ferrin Cox  
Publisher

The issue of the Elba City Clerk continues to make the news this week with new actions and reactions accompanied by flared tempers.

The latest chapter unfolded Monday when the Elba city council members obtained a temporary restraining order from Circuit Judge Terry Butts preventing Mayor Ricky Haywood from discharging or attempting to discharge (City Clerk) James H. Nichols or any other municipal officer or employee ... or prohibiting Nichols from carrying out his duties as city clerk.

This temporary restraining order will be in effect until a final hearing is held at 7:30 a.m. on Friday, April 29th.

According to Judge Butts' order, which named all five city council members as plaintiffs, sworn affidavits of council members John W. Sharpless and William L. Brunson, Jr. supported the Complaint for Injunction.

The order was served on Haywood at about 5:30 p.m. Monday, that Haywood recessed the council meeting before the city council members were ready to recess or adjourn and they reconvened their own meeting to officially disapprove the suspension of the new city clerk.

Nichols had agreed to serve as city clerk for an unspecified length of time "to help the City." He was named to the position on Monday night, April 18th. However when he reported to work on Tuesday morning, Haywood assigned him to the trash landfill "to count trucks."

Haywood reportedly had said after the action by the council that he would not work with the man (Nichols).

Instead of going to the landfill,

Nichols went home. He later received a certified letter containing a copy of "Employee Warning Record" that Haywood had issued because he wasn't on the job assigned.

He hit the desk with his gavel and began to leave. Council members expressed disagreement with that action because they wanted to finish the agenda. (The only item left on the agenda was the suspension of the city clerk.) The mayor, red faced and obviously mad, told them he could do it, had done it and the meeting

was already recessed.

Haywood locked the front door of the city hall and left the building by the back door. However council members remained and referred to books on conducting municipal government. About 15 of the 20 spectators who had been present looked on, and at each other, in bewilderment.

Council members then asked City attorney Mark Vaughan for guidance. He advised them they could

call themselves back into session if that was their wish.

The council did this unanimously, with Mayor Pro Tempore Bill Brunson presiding.

With very little discussion the council voted unanimously not to suspend the Friday suspension of City Clerk Jim Nichols. The mayor had not returned to the building, therefore he didn't vote on the motion.

The council adjourned after instructing Nichol's attorney that he

was expected to be at work at 8 a.m. Tuesday.

Nichols reported to the Elba city hall on Tuesday morning and busied himself throughout the day with getting familiar with the facility, with the employees and their respective jobs.

A full hearing on the restraining order will be held Friday at 7:30 a.m. before Judge Terry Butts. It will be in the Coffee County Courthouse at Elba.

of \$699.30. A \$48 purchase order from Collis Parish for changing the locks on the city hall doors was approved.

Council member Earl McCollough questioned the lock change, noting this has been done several times during this administration.

After the June 7th bid to better pick up 17 dogs. None were sold and none returned to their owners.

A purchase order for gasoline was approved in the amount of \$4,000 and another for recreation equipment from All Star Sports in the amount

## Wet-dry petition presented to Elba City Council

by Ferrin Cox  
Publisher

The long expected wet-dry petition was presented to the Elba City Council Monday night. The petition, signed by 417 Elba citizens will place the matter on the June 7th ballot, if the names are certified after being checked individually by Elba city officials.

Mayor Ricky Haywood was advised by City Attorney Mark Vaughan to immediately date all 35 pages of the petition with the April 25th date. He said this will serve to prevent any of the dating problems which resulted in court rulings which kept the matter off the ballot last year.

The city council voted on a 4-2 vote to move forward with the previously discussed sale of land at the airport to Cash Brothers Leasing. The 2.66 parcel of land is the land they are currently leasing plus some additional property immediately behind that parcel.

The council declared the property surplus and authorized the mayor to proceed with publishing a required ordinance to that effect.

Both Mayor Haywood and Council member Earl McCollough voted against the sale. Both had cast negative votes when the matter was discussed earlier this year.

Tim Johnson was appointed to the Water and Electric Board on an unanimous vote. He fills the vacancy left when Mickey Murdock resigned last

month.

A motion by Bill Brunson to authorize the city auditors to assemble some financial data also passed unanimously.

Brunson's motion was for Auditor Bill Carr of Enterprise to compile a six month financial statement, complete a six month operating budget which balances expenditures in line with projected income; and a cash flow format to be presented to the city council each month.

Mayor Haywood asked Brunson to spearhead this project.

## Commission meeting short and productive

by Marvin McIlwain  
Editor

The bi-monthly meeting of the Coffee County Commission Monday morning was short (lasting just over an hour), pleasant and productive.

The meeting's published agenda consisted of only two items - opening of bids on two pieces of equipment and Leannwood Heston concerning a planning grant. The latter was not present.

A lengthy discussion ensued when Commissioners Sid Averett brought up the proposal of an adult daycare center for Enterprise.

Averett had asked the commissioners to think about the matter at the last commission meeting and be prepared to take action Monday. No

one was able to do so. The funding and staff to operate the facility, once it is ready for "clients," will be provided by the State Health Department.

Approximately 35 individuals will be provided care in the Enterprise facility. It is recommended that no more than 40 persons be cared for in one center.

"The one center in Enterprise will not be big - more will be needed," said Averett.

He stated that he knew first hand how valuable an adult daycare center is to those caring for relatives in

their own homes.

It provides them with a place where their loved one can be taken to receive care while they themselves are at work.

Commissioner Bernest Brooks commented that more needs to be done in the area of providing services for the county's senior citizens.

"Coffee County is lagging far behind" in its care and support of the elderly," said Brooks.

Commissioner Robert Stephens mentioned that Kenneth Ball, director of Coffee County Public Health, be invited to appear before the commission to give his input into the proposed center.

According to Stephens, Ball had already addressed the Enterprise City Council on the matter but had not appeared before the commission concerning the proposal.

Commission Chairman Lawrence Creel stated that he had attempted to contact Ball on the matter but had been unsuccessful in doing so.

The commission adjourned, after signing bills, to go look at the location of the proposed adult daycare center.

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## Donaldson in House race

Kirk Donaldson has announced his candidacy for election to the state House of Representatives from the 91st District, Coffee County.

Donaldson, as well as his wife, Judy, is a lifelong resident of Coffee County. They are the parents of one daughter, Leah. The Donaldson family are members of Hillcrest Baptist Church in Enterprise. Donaldson attended school in the county system at Goodman and the Enterprise school system. After graduating from Enterprise High School, he attended Enterprise State Junior College and Alabama Aviation and Technical College. He served six years in the U.S. Army Reserve. Donaldson, age 44, is self-employed in the construction business. Presently, Donaldson is serving on the Enterprise City Council. His wife, Judy, owns and operates the Shear Magic Beauty Shop in Enterprise.

As a parent, Donaldson appreciates the strong family values accessible in Coffee County. Likewise, his appreciation extends to all local school systems of the county and cities of Elba and Enterprise. He wants to see that education in all of Coffee County continues to receive the support it needs to fulfill the requirement to have strong academic standards. Donaldson wants to work hard in Montgomery to see that Enterprise State Junior College remains a junior or community college. He is willing to stand-up for the citizens of a Coffee County to help prevent the merger of Enterprise State Junior College with another junior college and technical school in Covington County. Donaldson says the citizens of Coffee County have worked too hard for Enterprise State Junior College and thinks all attempts should be made to prevent it from become a branch of another junior college in Andalusia.

Because the Donaldsons are both involved in private business in Coffee County, the candidate fully understands the cooperation and effort needed from state, county, and city governments to create a business climate that both benefits local businesses and attracts businesses into Coffee County. With 20 years in the construction business, Donaldson has seen the need for responsible spending and wants to work hard in Montgomery to make sure the state legislature develops a program of responsible spending.

Growing up on a farm, and having worked with farmers, he is aware of the many problems farmers are faced with in trying to work out a living on today's farms. Donaldson is especially concerned about some of the costly, but unnecessary regulations that are being imposed upon the farm families of Coffee County by certain state agencies.

Realizing that our population is living longer and that senior citizens are comprising a larger segment of the county, Donaldson feels their voice and concerns should be heard

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## Dorsey Trailers expanding

Dorsey Trailers broke ground this month signaling the beginning of a construction program which will expand its production capabilities in the Company's Elba, Alabama facility.

Officials say this building addition will provide additional capacity, thus creating a substantial number of new jobs. The operation currently employs over 1,000 people.

The Elba plant produces a wide variety of custom trailers for the transportation industry.

Dorsey Trailers is headquartered in Atlanta, GA and operates manufacturing facilities in Northumberland, PA as well as Elba, AL.

The company is one of the nation's largest and oldest manufacturers of over-the-road transportation equipment.

## Kinston prepares for festival

Plans are being finalized for the "Crosstrails" 1994 Spring Festival to be held in Kinston, Alabama on Saturday, May 7.

As a prelude to the festival, the Miss "Crosstrails" Spring Festival Pageant is being held this Saturday, April 30th.

This year's event will begin with a parade in downtown Kinston at 9:00 a.m.

Serving as Grand Marshall for the kick off parade will be Alabama's Former First Lady and mother of the present governor, Janelle Folsom.

Events scheduled throughout the day are: country & gospel singing,

crafts, 3 on 3 basketball, outdoor volleyball, entertainment by Kinston High School Band, domino tournament, and children's games.

There will be plenty of food and fun for all.

The day's activities will conclude with a street dance featuring "Cheer-kee." The dance will begin at 8:00 p.m. and end at midnight.

All proceeds raised from the day's events will go toward the development of the town's recreation park.

Ya'll come and bring your lawn chairs!

## HAPPENINGS

**TOWN MEETING.** U. S. Rep. Terry Everett will hold a town meeting on private property rights in New Brockton on Saturday, April 30, 10 a.m. at the farm center. Joining Everett will be Congressman Richard Pumbo (R-CA), who is co-chairman of the House Republican Research Committee's Task Force on Private Property Rights.

**BIKE-A-THON.** The New Seasons Study Club will sponsor a Bike-A-Thon on Saturday, April 30, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. The fundraising event will be held at the Elba Assembly of God Church located on Highland Drive. Proceeds will be donated to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

**RABIES CLINIC.** The Zion Chapel FFA is sponsoring a Rabies Clinic Saturday, April 30, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Zion Chapel High School. A veterinarian will administer the rabies vaccine to dogs, cats and horses. Also, the FFA will have a petting zoo for children that day.

**CANDIDATE FORUM.** The Mulberry Heights Voters Registration Committee is sponsoring a Candidate Forum and Massive Voters Registration drive at the Elba High Auditorium, Saturday, May 7, 1994, at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come out and hear various candidates for public office speak.

**BLOOD DRIVE.** The 191st Maintenance Company of the Army National Reserve will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Sunday, May 8, from 12:00 noon until 2:30 p.m. at 764 North Clayton Avenue in Elba. All healthy individuals are encouraged to participate and give "the Gift of Life."

**POLITICAL RALLY.** A political rally will be held at the Victoria Community Room on Saturday, May 14, to give residents an opportunity to meet candidates for public office in the upcoming election. Candidates will be available at 11 a.m. to meet, greet, and hand out literature. There will be no speeches.



**NEW SEASON'S BIKE-A-THON...**The New Season's Study Club is sponsoring a Bike-A-Thon to be held this Saturday, April 30 at 10:00 a.m. All contributions will be donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Riders may ask sponsors to donate a fixed amount or a pledge per lap ridden. Everyone turning in a contribution will receive a certificate. Those riders returning \$30 will receive a T-shirt and certificate. The rider turning in \$75 will receive a sports bag, T-shirt, and certificate. The rider turning in the largest contribution will receive a brand new bike donated by Ace Hardware of Elba. There is no age limit to participate in the Bike-A-Thon. St. Jude's is a non-profit corporation whose purpose is to care for children stricken with catastrophic diseases, to conduct medical research on those diseases to raise the funds needed to accomplish these goals. No child has ever been turned away because of an inability to pay. For more information, call the coordinator of the Bike-A-Thon, Angela Morrow at 897-3636 after 5:15, or 897-2273 before 5:00.

Pictured above are Johnny Sunn, the DARE officer, and Angela Morrow, Coordinator of the Bike-A-Thon.